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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 840.**

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*Tadao Kanuma*

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**TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS**  
**OF PATENT APPLICATION**

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Attn: BOX MISSING PARTS

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on September 17, 2001, in the above-identified application, transmitted herewith are the missing parts needed to complete the filing of the subject patent application.

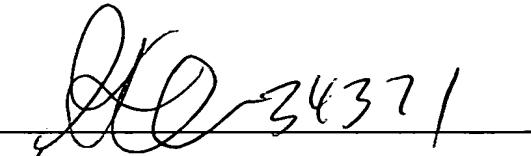
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- Declaration and Power of Attorney (3 pages)
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- Claim for Convention Priority and Certified Copies of Priority Documents
- Check in the amount of \$870.00 in payment of the basic filing fee of \$740.00 and the late filing surcharge fee of \$130.00 (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))
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Respectfully submitted,

By



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RICHARD L. SCHWAAB". It is written in a cursive style with some loops and variations in letter height.

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